Investment made in industrially backward area

644. SHRI T. R. BALL[1] :
SHRI V. GOPALSAMY :

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to stale :

(a) what is the criteria adopted at present for declaring an area as industrially backward ;

(b) which are tho areas in each State which have been declared as industrially backward so far ;

'(c) what special incentives are being offered by Government to set up industries in backward areas : and

(d) how much investment has been made in industrially backward areas during the last three years so far, yeaiwise and Statewise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) and (b) The criteria laid down for declaring district as backward was per. capita food grains/ commercial crops production depending on whether the district is predominantly a producer of foodgrains/cash crops.; Ratio or population to agricultural workers ; Per Capita industrial output ; Number of factory employees per lakh population or alternatively number of persons engaged in secondary and tertiary activities per lakh of population ; Per capita consumption of electricity; Length of surfaced roads in relation to population or railway mileage in relation to population. Districts having no large or medium scale industry as per District Industries Centre Action Plans 1979-80 were identified as 'No Industry Districts'. With effect from 1-4-1983, Industrially Backward Districts were re-ch. sifted into 3 categories viz, *A.* B,& C. The names and numbers of such districts are given in the booklet "Incentives for Industries in Backward Areas", copies of which are available in the Parliament Library.

(c) The following incentives are available to industries set up in backward areas :—

1. Concessional Finance.

2. Concessions under the Income-Tax Act.

3. Priority in licensing.

4. Exemption from licensing upto Rs. 50 crores in respect of a number of industries subject to locational guidelines.

5. Lower export obligation for non-Appendix-I non-reserved items if taken up by MRTP/FERA companies.

The Central Investment Subsidy which was a feature of the scheme for industrialisation of backward areas was available upto 30th September, 1988.

(d) Information not maintained centrally.

Refund of the excess amount charged for F-305 Matador pick-up vans

645: SHRI JERLIE E. TARIANG : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to refer *to* the answer to Unstarred Question 1421 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 8th May, 1989 and state ;

(a) what is the' number of purchasers of F-305 Matador pick-up vans who have since been refunded the excess amount of Rs. 10,015.57 charged by the Company;

(b) if the excess amount has not yet been refunded by the Company what are the reasons therefor;

(c) whether Government propose to issue necessary orders to

M/s. Bajaj Tempo Limited for refundof the excess amount which was overcharged from the customers of F-305 Matador vans who had purchased such vans before 28th April, 1989 : and

(d) what are the details of the increase in the prices of F-305 Matador vans with effect from 29th April, 1989 and on what basis Government have allowed the Company to increase the prices?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM) ; (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Capital invested in small, medium and large scale industries

646. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) what is the total capital invested in small scale industries in the country till date, ;he number of persons employed in these industries and the production figure in terms of value during the last 3 years ;

(b) what is the total capital invested in medium and large scale industries separately till date, the number of persons employed in these industries and the industrywise production figures in terms of value and

(c) what is the capital invested in public sector and private sector industries separately, the number of persons employed and the production figures in terms of value in these two sectors, separately?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM) ; (a) to (c) A statement is enclosed *[See* Appendix CLI, Annexure No, 53]

DPEA dues on Bara5gon Ketone

647. DR (SHRIMATI) SAROJINI MAHISHI Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to refer to the answer to Starred Question 15 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 24th April, 1989 and state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the recovery into DPEA in respect of Baralgon Ketone between 1983 and the date of revision of price under DPCO, 1987 is not being worked out despite the directives of Supreme Court ;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor ; and

(c) whether it is also a fact that around Rs. 20 crorcs is duo on this drug for this period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI P. NAMGYAL: (a) to (c) ThE dotails of the extent available would be collected and laid on the Table of the House.

Price of Prenisolone

648. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state

(a) what were the prices of Prednisolone before and effer the promulgation of DPCO, 1987 ;

(b) whether it is a fact that his Ministry recommended increase in its price ;

(c) if so, what was the earlier price and the revised price and for which period it was applied;

(d) whether it is a fact that the increase has been allowed on account of some omissions ; and

(e) if so, what are the detaials thereof?